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APPOINTMENTS TO FILL VACANCIES IN SUBSIDIARY ORGANS AND OTHER APPOINTMENTS

Appointment of members of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

Note by the Secretary-General

1. As indicated in document A/52/101/Rev.1, it will be necessary for the General Assembly, during its current session, to appoint five persons to fill the vacancies that will arise in the membership of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, effective 31 December 1997.

2. The following persons have been nominated by their respective Governments for appointment or reappointment:

Mr. Ahmad Fathi Al-Masri (Syrian Arab Republic)

Mr. Ioan Barac (Romania);

Mr. Hasan Jawarneh (Jordan);

Mr. Mahamane Amadou Maiga (Mali);

Mr. E. Besley Maycock (Barbados);

Mr. C. S. M. Mselle (United Republic of Tanzania)

Mr. Mohamed Mahmoud Ould El Cheikh Ghaouth (Mauritania).

3. The candidates' curricula vitae follow.

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FATHI AL-MASRI

Place and date of birth	Damascus, 1932
Academic background	Graduated in Law and specialized in Public Law from Damascus University, 1954
Professional career	
1954-1957	Attorney-at Law
1957-1958	Financial Inspector in the Ministry of Finance
1958	Joined the diplomatic service and served in Cairo (1958), Baghdad (1960), Cyprus (1965-1967) and Chile (1978-1982)
1958-1969	Deputy Director of the Department of Asian Affairs (1958-1969), Department of Cultural Affairs (1962-1965), and Western European Department (1967-1969) at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs
1969-1975 and 1982-1983	Counsellor and Deputy Permanent Representative of the Syrian Arab Republic to the United Nations and representative to the General Assembly sessions (twenty-fourth to twenty-ninth, fortieth and forty-first sessions) and to its First Committee, Second Committee, Fifth Committee and Sixth Committee
	Sessions of the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme, the Economic and Social Council and the Commission on Human Settlements
	First session of the Committee of Experts on International Terrorism
	Sixth special session of the General Assembly, on the establishment of a new international economic order
	First session of the Third United Nations Conference on the Law of the Sea
	Ad Hoc Committee on the Special Programme
	United Nations visiting Mission to the Gilbert and Ellice Islands

	Chairman of the Subcommittee I of the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples, dealing with economic and military activities of the colonial Powers in the Territories and countries under their domination
1983-1987	Director General of the Department of International Organizations and Conferences and member of the Syrian delegation to the thirty-eighth to forty-first regular sessions of the General Assembly. Deputy Head of the Syrian Arab Republic delegation to the forty-second and forty-third sessions of the General Assembly
1987	Vice-President, forty-second regular session of the General Assembly
1987-1997	Permanent Representative of the Syrian Arab Republic to the United Nations
	Chairman of the Fifth Committee at the forty-fourth session of the General Assembly and the sixteenth special session of the General Assembly
	Chairman of the Fifth Committee at the seventeenth special session of the General Assembly and at the eighteenth special session of the Assembly
	Current member of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions
1990-1993	Permanent Representative of the Syrian Arab Republic to the United Nations and other international organizations at Geneva and Vienna
	Consul-General of the Syrian Arab Republic in Switzerland
	Participated in the sessions of the International Labour Conference
	Head of the Syrian delegation to the meeting of the Asian States to the World Conference on Human Rights, Bangkok, the sessions of the Commission on Human Rights, the Subcommission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities and sessions of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development

1983-1993	Representative of the Syrian Arab Republic to: (a) Non-Aligned and Islamic Summit and Ministerial Conferences held at Casablanca, Rabat, Fez, Harare, Kuwait, Belgrade, Luanda, New Delhi, Istanbul, Georgetown, Pyongyang, Sanaa; (b) Non-Aligned Coordinating Bureau Meetings; (c) World Conference on Human Rights, Vienna; (d) International Conference for the Protection of War Victims, Geneva
Languages spoken	Arabic, English and Spanish
Family	Two daughters

IOAN BARAC

Nationality	Romanian
Born	10 April 1937, Alamor, Romania
Marital status	Married, with two sons
Languages	English and French
Education	Academy for Economic Studies of Bucharest, 1961
	Master's Degree of International Relations, University of Bucharest, 1964
	Training programme of the Economic Commission for Europe, 1969-1970

Professional activities

1995	Minister Counsellor, Division for the United Nations and other International Organizations, Ministry of Foreign Affairs
1993-1994	Deputy Permanent Representative of Romania to the United Nations
1990-1993	Minister Counsellor, Permanent Mission of Romania to the United Nations
1990	Counsellor, Romanian Embassy, London
1986-1989	Economist, National Bank of Romania
1964-1985	Counsellor, First Secretary, Second Secretary, Third Secretary and Attaché in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs

International activities

Current member of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

Attended various international meetings, such as:

(a) Regular sessions of the General Assembly, 1990-1994 and 1981-1985, in the Second and Fifth Committees; 1965-1967 in the Fifth Committee

(b) Economic and Social Council, 1994, 1992, 1974-1976; Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme, 1993, 1991; Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund, 1992;

(c) Global Conference on the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States, 1994; United Nations Conference on Environment and Development, 1992; United Nations Conference on Science and Technology for Development, 1979;

(d) Third United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, 1972, and Fourth United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, 1976; Trade and Development Board, 1971-1979;

(e) Annual meeting of the Board of Governors of the International Monetary Fund and of the World Bank, 1973 and 1976;

(f) First General Conference of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, 1971, and Second General Conference, 1975; Industrial Development Board, 1967-1971;

(g) Ministerial Meetings of the Group of 77 in New York, 1990-1994;

(h) Global meeting on economic cooperation among developing countries in the food and agriculture sector, Bucharest, 1984; high-level meeting of officials responsible for industrial manpower training in developing countries, Bucharest, 1982; Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 on science and technology for development, Bucharest, 1979

Vice-Chairman of the Main Committee of the Global Conference on the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States, Barbados, 1994; and Vice-Chairman of the Preparatory Committee of the Conference, 1993-1994

Vice-Chairman of the nineteenth session of the Commission on Transnational Corporations, New York, 1993

Vice-Chairman of the Second Committee of the General Assembly, 1991

Other activities

Co-author of the Romanian Diplomatic Dictionary

Author of more than 100 articles on various international economic issues, published in Romanian newspapers and magazines

HASAN JAWARNEH

Present position	Counsellor, Permanent Mission of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan to the United Nations. In charge of the Fifth Committee since 1993
Born	20 June 1955
Academic background	Master's Degree in Political Science, Karachi University, Pakistan, 1980
Previous professional career	
1993-present	Participated in meetings of the Fifth Committee and plenary of the forty-eighth to fifty-first sessions of the General Assembly
1995	Vice-Chairman of the Committee on Conferences
December 1993	Assistant Director and Head of Specialized Agencies of the United Nations
	Head of the Division of the Non-Aligned Movement
	Head of the Organization of the Islamic Conference
	Department of International Organizations, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Amman, Jordan
1991-1993	Chargé d'affaires a.i., Embassy of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan, Bahrain
1988-1991	Second Secretary, Embassy of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan, Bahrain
1987-1988	Second and Third Secretary, Department of International Organization, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Amman
1983-1987	Third Secretary, Embassy of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan, Baghdad
1982-1983	Attaché, Department of Political Affairs and Bilateral Relations, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Amman

MAHAMANE AMADOU MAIGA

Date of birth	4 January 1958
Place of birth	Douékiré, Cercle de Goundam, Republic of Mali
Marital status	Married
Schools attended	
1966-1972	Elementary School, Douékiré
1972-1975	Secondary School, Goundam
1975-1978	Badalabougou Lycée, Bamako
	Baccalauréat (High school diploma) with specialization in philosophy and languages
University education	
1978-1982	National School of Administration, Algiers - Diplomatic section
	Master's degree
1993-1995	St. John's University, New York
	Master's degree - majored in public administration and development
	Advanced certificate in diplomacy and international law
1996	Candidate for doctorate
1996	Computer certificate awarded by ICS, USA
Employment	
1983	Entered public service as Counsellor, Foreign Affairs
1983-1986	Counsellor responsible for cooperation between Mali and the United Nations system
1987-1988	Head of the United Nations/Africa, Caribbean and Pacific Division (ACP), European Economic Community (EEC)

1989	Acting Head of the Department of International Cooperation
1990-1994	Counsellor (responsible for economic, social, administrative and budgetary questions) at the Permanent Mission of Mali to the United Nations, New York

Experience of administrative and budgetary questions within the United Nations

1995-1997	Member of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

Fifth Committee experience

1986-1988	Alternate representative to the Fifth Committee
1990-1997	Representative of Mali to the Fifth Committee
1994	Member of the Ad hoc Intergovernmental Working Group of Experts in the legal and financial fields established under General Assembly resolution 48/218
1995-1997	Member of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (ACABQ)

Second Committee experience

1986-1989	Representative of Mali to the Second Committee
1990-1994	Alternate representative of Mali to the Second Committee

Training courses and seminars

1984-1997	Training course at EEC headquarters and ACP headquarters, Brussels
	World Bank workshop on technical assistance and development, Washington, D.C.
	Participant in UNITAR training course for economic advisers
	Participant in UNITAR workshop
	Participant in UNITAR seminar for diplomats
	Participant in UNITAR seminar on peacekeeping operations, New York

	Participant in UNITAR/World Bank seminar for economic advisers to the United Nations, Washington, D.C.
	Participant in the Annual Conference of the American Association of International Law, New York
	Participant in the National Forum on International Organizations, Bamako

National experience

1982-1985	Assisted with the preparation of documents for the first and second donor Round Tables on economic recovery and development in Mali
1983-1989	Member of the National Committee for World Food Day
1983-1989	Member of the National Committee for the International Day of Shelter for the Homeless
	Participant at the national level in numerous seminars, including seminars on the management of United Nations projects, human settlements, the dairy sector, housing and development financing
1982-1989	Member of the Committee on Planning and Cooperation responsible for reviewing and monitoring the implementation of various cooperation projects between Mali, bilateral, multilateral and non-governmental organizations

International experience

1986-1988	Participant in the forty-second to forty-fourth sessions of the General Assembly
1988	Member of the delegation of Mali to the meeting of the ad hoc Committee of the Whole on the mid-term evaluation of the United Nations Programme of Action for African Economic Recovery and Development, 1986-1990
1985	Member of the delegation of Mali to the Ministerial Conference of the Non-Aligned Movement, Luanda
1986	Member of the delegation of Mali to the Ministerial meeting of the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa, Yaoundé

1987	Head of the delegation of Mali to the meeting on the programming of technical cooperation projects among developing countries, Tunis
1993	Rapporteur of the High-level Committee on the Review of Technical Cooperation among Developing Countries, New York
1994	Representative of Mali at the Global Conference on the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States, Barbados
1983	Participant in the meetings of the Group of 77 in Tunis and New York
1989	Member of the delegation of Mali to the Twenty-fifth Summit meeting of the Organization of African Unity (OAU), Addis Ababa

Membership of associations

Member of the American Political Science Association and the North American Political Science Association

Member of the American Association of International law

Languages

French, English, Arabic (very good knowledge), Russian (intermediate level)

E. BESLEY MAYCOCK

Employment history

1992-present	Member of Advisory Committee for Administrative and Budgetary Questions
1990-January 1995	Permanent Representative of Barbados to the United Nations
August 1987-June 1990	Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Education and Culture
January-July 1987	Deputy Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Employment, Labour Relations and Community Development
1985-1986	Deputy Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs
1971-1985	Senior Foreign Service Officer, Ministry of Foreign Affairs
1967-1970	Assistant Secretary, Ministry of Education and Culture
1966-1967	Administrative Assistant, Ministry of Agriculture
1963-1966	Regional Representative with Longmans, Green Publishers
1959-1962	Administrative Officer, West Indies Federal Government
1958-1959	History Teacher, Combermere School

Education and training

1969	Graduate Institute of International Relations, Geneva: Carnegie Fellowship in International Relations
1967	University of the West Indies, St. Augustine, Trinidad and Tobago. Institute of International Relations: diplomatic training
1954-1958	University of the West Indies, Mona, Jamaica: B.A. (Hons.) History
1951-1954	Harrison College
1945-1951	Combermere School
1940-1945	St. Giles Boys' School

Personal

Born 1935

Married, with two children

Activities and career highlights, 1987-1990

As the administrative head and Chief Accounting Officer of the Ministry of Education and Culture and the autonomous departments under this umbrella, is accountable to the political directorate for the preparation and presentation of the annual budget and any subsequent requests for supplementary vote; approves all major personnel changes; responsible for the performance and the effective functioning of divisions and autonomous departments policy adviser to the Minister. Activities included:

(a) Member of two boards of the Caribbean Examination Council, the region's public examining board for school leavers at the secondary level;

(b) Member of the Technical Advisory Committee, University of the West Indies, Mona Campus, Jamaica, and of the University Grants Committee; Chairman, Technical Advisory Committee, Cave Hill Campus, Barbados;

(c) Member of the delegation of Barbados to the World Conference on Education for All (Jontien, Thailand, 5-9 March 1990);

(d) Head of delegation of Barbados to the meeting of CARICOM Standing Committee of Ministers of Education (Port-of-Spain, 30 April-4 May 1990);

(e) Member of the delegation of Barbados to the forty-third session of the General Assembly. Elected as a member of the United Nations Commission Against Apartheid in Sport;

(f) Special envoy of the Prime Minister to the fifteenth special session of the General Assembly;

(g) Member of the delegation of Barbados to the meeting of the CARICOM Standing Committee of Ministers of Education (Georgetown, May 1988)

As Deputy Permanent Secretary, worked with the Permanent Secretary to manage the affairs of the Ministry of Employment, Labour Relations and Community Development. Activities included: member of the Regional Labour Board; member of the delegation of Barbados to the Organization of American States Inter-American Council for Education (1987: Washington, D.C., 1987); and member of the delegation of Barbados to the General Conference of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (Paris, 1987)

Employment and activities, 1971-1986

As Senior Foreign Service Officer, Ministry of External Affairs, held several portfolios:

Head of the Caribbean Desk, 1971-1972; Counsellor, Mission at Ottawa, 1972-1976; Chief of Protocol and Head of the Administrative Desk of the Ministry, 1976-1978; Counsellor and Chargé d'affaires in the Permanent Mission of Barbados to the United Nations, 1976; Minister Counsellor in the Permanent Mission of Barbados to the United Nations, 1979-1985; and Deputy Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, 1985-1986. Activities included:

(a) Member of the delegation of Barbados to meetings of the CARICOM Council of Ministers, Georgetown, 1971-1972;

(b) Advisor to the Government of the Commonwealth of Dominica on the establishment of a foreign service department; organized the training courses for prospective diplomatics, 1978;

(c) Member of the delegation of Barbados to the Non-Aligned Summit meeting, Havana, 1979;

(d) Leader of the delegation of Barbados to the meeting of CARICOM Standing Conference of Ministers of Foreign Affairs (Belize City, Belize, 1986);

(e) Member of the delegation of Barbados to the thirty-third session of the General Assembly;

(f) Member of the delegation of Barbados to the Economic and Social Council, 1979-1981; Leader of the delegation to the first regular session of 1979;

(g) Chairman, Ad Hoc Committee on the Drafting of an International Convention against Apartheid in Sport, 1980-1985. During this chairmanship, led several delegations of the Committee to consultations with member Governments on the issue of apartheid. Also led a delegation of the Committee to two conferences on apartheid, held in London in 1983 and in Paris in 1985;

(h) Vice-Chairman, Ad Hoc Committee on the Drafting of an International Convention against the Recruitment, Use, Financing and Training of Mercenaries, 1981-1982; Chairman of a working group, 1981; Chairman of Working Group A, 1982;

(i) Vice-Chairman, Fifth Committee of the General Assembly, thirty-seventh session;

(j) Chairman, Fifth Committee of the General Assembly, thirty-ninth and forty-fifth sessions;

(k) Member of the delegation of Barbados to the forty-first session of the General Assembly;

(1) Member of the Barbados delegation to the special session of the General Assembly on the financial crisis facing the United Nations; Chairman, Credentials Committee, 1992; Chairman, Commission against Apartheid in Sports, 1992

Employment and activities, 1958-1967

Several jobs including that of teacher at one of the leading secondary schools and later an officer with the now defunct West Indies Federation. In the post-Federation period, 1962/1963, worked with the Interim Commission set up to handle all administrative matters pertaining to the end of the Federation and the abolition of its Civil Service. Member of the inaugural delegation of Barbados to the General Conference of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, Paris, 1968.

C. S. M. MSELLE

Date of birth 1938

Academic qualifications B.A. (Honours) London, 1964

Career service

Joined government service, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, 19 April 1964

Training in diplomacy and international relations, Columbia University, New York, 1964-1965

Assistant Research Officer, Legal and Research Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, 1965-1966

Assistant Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, 1966-1968

Second Secretary, Embassy of the United Republic of Tanzania, Cairo, 1968-1969

First Secretary and Head of Chancery, Permanent Mission of the United Republic of Tanzania to the United Nations, 1969-1972

Counsellor, 1972

Director of Administration and Personnel Management, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Dar-es-Salaam, 1973-1975

Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary, 1981

Conferences and committees

Member of the delegation of the United Republic of Tanzania to the twenty-first session of the General Assembly; Alternate Representative, Special Political Committee, 1966

Member of the delegation of the United Republic of Tanzania to the twenty-second to twenty-ninth sessions of the General Assembly; representative in the Fifth Committee, 1967-1974

Member of the Committee for Programme and Coordination, 1969-1971

Representative of the United Republic of Tanzania to the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples, 1969-1971

Rapporteur of the Committee for Programme and Coordination, 1970-1971

Member of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, 1971-1974; Chairman of ACABQ since 1975

Representative of the United Republic of Tanzania to the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme, 1970-1971

Chairman, Fifth Committee, twenty-eighth session of the General Assembly, 1973

Vice-Chairman, Committee on Applications for Review of Administrative Tribunal Judgements, New York, 1973

MOHAMED MAHMOUD OULD CHEIKH EL GHANOUTH

Date and place of birth 20 December 1952, Kiffa, Mauritania

Academic background

Bachelor of Arts, American University, Washington, D.C., 1981

Current activities

Administrator, Office of the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Cooperation, Nouakchott

Executive representative of the Sahel constituency to the Council of the Global Environment Facility, Washington, D.C., 1995-1997

Chairman of the Implementation Committee of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, Bonn, 1995-1997

Chairman of the Plenary Committee of the first session of the Conference of Parties to the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, particularly in Africa, Rome, 1997-1998

Member of the United Nations Committee on Contributions, New York, 1990-1998

Previous activities

1970-1971	Chief, National Budget Commitments Division, Ministry of Finance
1972	Tax Collector, Department of Kobenni
1973	Tax Collector, Department of Tintane
1974	Tax Collector, Department of Moudjeria
	Joined the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation the same year
1975-1976	Attaché and Third Secretary, Embassy of Mauritania, Abidjan
1976-1978	Second Secretary and First Secretary, Embassy of Mauritania, Tehran
1978-1981	First Secretary and Second Counsellor, Embassy of Mauritania, Washington, D.C.
1981-1982	Assistant Administrator, Office of the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Cooperation, Nouakchott

1982-1995	Second Counsellor and First Counsellor, Permanent Mission of Mauritania to the United Nations, New York
1982-1995	Member of the delegation to all sessions of the United Nations General Assembly; representative on the Sixth Committee, the Second Committee, the Special Political Committee, the First Committee and the Fifth Committee
1982-1995	Responsible for matters relating to the Arab Group, the Group of 77, the Organization of the Islamic Conference and the African Group of Economic Experts, New York
1984-1995	Representative or observer at all sessions of the Governing Council of UNDP/UNFPA; spokesman for the African Group during the negotiations in New York and Geneva on the fourth and fifth programming cycles of UNDP
1984-1995	Observer at most sessions of the Economic and Social Council, New York-Geneva
1984-1995	Observer at sessions of the Executive Board of UNICEF in New York and of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme in Nairobi
1987	Representative to the International Conference on the Relationship between Development and Disarmament, New York
1989-1990	Representative to the Preparatory Committee for the Second United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries, Geneva, and member of the delegation to the Conference, Paris
1990	Representative to the special session of the General Assembly devoted to international economic cooperation, in particular the revitalization and development of developing countries, New York
1990	Member of the Commission on the restructuring and revitalization of the United Nations in the economic, social and related fields, Geneva-New York
1990-1992	Vice-Chairman of the Preparatory Committee and Working Group I of the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development, New York-Nairobi-Geneva, and delegate to the Conference, Rio de Janeiro
1992-1994	Representative to the negotiations on the restructuring and replenishment of the Global Environment Facility, Washington-Abidjan-Rome-Beijing-Paris-Cartagena-Geneva
1993-1994	Representative to the negotiations on the elaboration of an international convention to combat desertification in those countries experiencing serious drought and/or desertification, particularly in Africa, Geneva-New York-Paris

1994-1996	Representative to the First, Second and Third Conferences of Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity, and Chairman of the Budgetary Committee, Nassau-Jakarta-Buenos Aires
1995-1996	Representative to the First and Second Conferences of States Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, and Chairman of the Budgetary Committee, Berlin-Geneva
1992-1994	Co-Chairman of the First Working Group of the Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee for a Framework Convention on Climate Change, Washington, D.C.-Nairobi-Geneva-New York
1996-1997	Chairman of the First Working Group of the Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee for an International Convention to Combat Desertification, Geneva

Other previous activities

Chairman of the Committee on the Review of New and Renewable Sources of Energy and on Energy for Development; representative to the High-level Committee on Technical Cooperation between Developing Countries and to the Committee on Science and Technology; observer to the Commission on Transnational Corporations, the Population Commission, the Commission on Sustainable Development, the Committee on Natural Resources, the Committee on Information and the Committee for Programme and Coordination.

Participation in high-level regional meetings

1975	Summit of the Heads of State of member countries of the West African Economic Community, Burkina Faso
1976	Summit of the Heads of State of member countries of Air Afrique, Côte d'Ivoire
1981	Summit meeting of the Heads of State of countries bordering the Sahara, Mauritania
1981-1993	Annual conferences of the Arab Ministers for Foreign Affairs, the Organization of the Islamic Conference and the Group of 77, New York
1991	Conference of African Ministers of the Environment, Kenya
1992	First and Second Regional African Ministerial Preparatory Conferences for the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development, Egypt and Côte d'Ivoire
1992	Ministerial Conference of developing countries to harmonize their positions at the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development, Malaysia

1994 Ministerial Conference in preparation for the Summit Meeting of Heads of State of member countries of the Permanent Inter-State Committee on Drought Control in the Sahel, Cape Verde

International training courses and seminars

Six months' disarmament training in Switzerland, Austria, Sweden, Hungary, Czechoslovakia, the Soviet Union, the Federal Republic of Germany, Japan and the United States. Study of the executive, legislative and judicial systems of the United States in Washington, D.C., California, Texas, Arkansas, Georgia and New York. Functioning of the world economy, including management of external debt (World Bank and International Monetary Fund), Washington, D.C.

Seminars: Workshop on the negotiation of international legal instruments (United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR)), New York. The role of the United Nations and its specialized agencies, including the Bretton Woods institutions (UNITAR), New York. Calculation and use of economic indicators (UNITAR), Washington, D.C. Assimilation of climatic change parameters (WMO), Geneva and Nairobi. Workshop on joint implementation of the Framework Convention on Climate Change (World Bank), Mexico. Assessment of progress achieved in the joint implementation of the Framework Convention on Climate Change (United States), Bermuda.

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Note by the Secretary-General

1. As indicated in document A/52/102/Rev.1, it will be necessary for the General Assembly, during its current session, to appoint six persons to fill the vacancies that will arise in the membership of the Committee on Contributions, effective 31 December 1997.

2. The following persons have been nominated by their respective Governments for appointment or reappointment:

Mr. Uldis Blukis (Latvia);

Mr. David Etuket (Uganda);

Mr. Ihor V. Humenny (Ukraine);

Mr. Jan Kinšt (Czech Republic);

Mr. David A. Leis (United States);

Mr. Prakash Shah (India);

Mr. Nikola Ivanov Tcholakov (Bulgaria);

Mr. Kazuo Watanabe (Japan).

3. The candidates' curricula vitae follow.

ULDIS BLUKIS

Born 19 February 1933 at Jelgava, Latvia

Married

B.S. in chemistry (University of Illinois, Urbana, Illinois, United States of America, 1956)

Ph.D. in physical chemistry (University of California, Berkeley, California, United States of America, 1960)

Posts held

1960-1991	Member of the Department of Chemistry, Brooklyn College, City University of New York
1967-1991	Member of board of directors of United Baltic Appeal, Inc.; primarily responsible for matters relating to United Nations
1991-present	Professor emeritus, Department of Chemistry, Brooklyn College, City University of New York
1991-1995	First Secretary of the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Latvia to the United Nations
1995-present	Minister Plenipotentiary at the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Latvia to the United Nations
1991-present	Representative of Latvia in the Fifth Committee
1994-present	Member of the Committee on Contributions
1997	Chairman, Committee on Conferences

Publications

Co-author of an educational filmstrip series, a textbook of physical chemistry, as well as articles in physical chemistry and the history of science

DAVID ETUKET

Born 5 May 1957 at Kumi, Uganda

Education

1987-1989	Masters in Business Administration (Quantitative Analysis), St. John's University, New York
1977-1980	Bachelor of Science Degree in Economics and Statistics (Upper Second Class Honours), Makerere University, Kampala, Uganda
1982	Diploma in International Trade (Excellent Result), Finafrica, Milan, Italy
1975-1976	East African Advanced Certificate of Education, Nabumali High School
1971-1974	East African Certificate of Education, Pongdwongo Secondary School

Professional experience

1994-present	Deputy Director, Directorate of Multilateral Organisations and Treaties, Ministry of Foreign Affairs
June 1994-present	Chairman, Committee on Contributions
1992	Vice-Chairman, Committee for Programme and Coordination
1992-1993	Counsellor, Economic and Budgetary Matters, Ministry of Foreign Affairs
1990	Rapporteur, Committee for Programme and Coordination
1988-1992	First Secretary, Administrative and Budgetary Matters, Permanent Mission of Uganda to the United Nations, New York
1986-1988	Third Secretary, Administrative and Budgetary Matters, Permanent Mission of Uganda to the United Nations, New York
1981-1986	Responsible for Eastern Europe and Asia Desk, Ministry of Foreign Affairs
21 February 1981	Joined the Diplomatic Service of Uganda

International conferences attended

1986-1995	Representative, Fifth Committee of the General Assembly
1992-1997	Member of the Committee on Contributions
1986-1992	Member of the delegation of Uganda to the Economic and Social Council, the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund and the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme
1988-1992	Alternate member of the delegation to the Committee for Programme and Coordination
1986-1992	Alternate member/adviser of the delegation to the Preparatory Commission for the International Sea-Bed Authority and for the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea
June 1992	Member of the delegation to the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development
1991-1992	Alternate member of the delegation to the Preparatory Committee for the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development
1993-1995	Representative of Uganda to the Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee for the Elaboration of an International Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, particularly in Africa
February 1987; April 1995	Alternate member of the delegation to the Ministerial Meeting of the Non-Aligned Movement
June 1991	Representative of Uganda to the Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee for a Framework Convention on Climate Change
June 1989	Member of the delegation to the first annual meeting of the Governing Council of the Common Fund for Commodities

Family status

Married with two children

IHOR V. HUMENNY

Personal

Born: 6 December 1956, Ukraine

Married: 1980 to Olena S. Humenny

Children: Two daughters

Education

1979 Master's Degree in International Economic Relations and English, Kiev State University

1979-1983 Post-graduate courses in international economic relations, Kiev State University

1980-1982 Courses in Spanish language, Kiev State Language Courses

1984 Advanced courses on population, labour and financial statistics, Moscow Institute of Economics and Statistics

Present position

Since 1995 Counsellor at the Permanent Mission of Ukraine to the United Nations in charge of issues of the United Nations management and administration, programme coordination, activity in the field of development, and reform. Responsible for the organization and execution of work of the Economic, Administrative and Budgetary Section of the Mission.

Representative of Ukraine to the Fifth Committee of the General Assembly

Member of the Committee on Contributions

Rapporteur of the Fifth Committee during the fifty-first session of the General Assembly

Representative of Ukraine to the Committee for Programme and Coordination

Delegate of Ukraine to the High-level Open-ended Working Group on the Financial Situation of the United Nations

Delegate of Ukraine to the High-level Open-ended Working Group on the Strengthening of the United Nations System

Delegate of Ukraine to the Second Committee of the General Assembly (operational activities issues), and the Executive Boards of the United Nations Development Programme and the United Nations Children's Fund

Delegate of Ukraine to the Economic and Social Council and its Statistical Commission, Commission on Population and Development and Commission on Sustainable Development

Previous professional experience in the foreign service

1992-1995 First Secretary, Second Secretary of the Permanent Mission of Ukraine to the United Nations responsible for issues of the United Nations management and administration, programme coordination, activities in the economic and financial fields, and reform

Representative of Ukraine to the Fifth and Second Committees of the General Assembly, and the Committee for Programme and Coordination

1995 Member of the Committee on Contributions

1994 Vice-Chairman of the thirty-fourth session of the Committee for Programme and Coordination

1993-1995 Delegate of Ukraine to the Economic and Social Council and its Statistical Commission

1995 Delegate of Ukraine to the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme and the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund

1993 Delegate of Ukraine to the Commission on Sustainable Development

Delegate of Ukraine to the Commission on Science and Technology for Development

1991-1992 First Secretary of the Department of International Economic Relations, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine. Responsible for issues of the Second and Fifth Committees of the General Assembly, the Economic and Social Council, the Economic Commission for Europe and its subsidiary bodies, international ecological cooperation

Other previous professional experience

1989-1990 Deputy Chief of the Department of Demographic and Labour Statistics, Ministry of Statistics of Ukraine

1987-1989 Deputy Chief of the Population Censuses and Demographic Statistics Department, Ministry of Statistics of Ukraine

1983-1987	Deputy Chief of the Population Censuses and Studies Division, Central Statistical Board of Ukraine
1979-1983	Senior economist of the Division of Statistical Information, Central Statistical Board of Ukraine

Major international conferences, sessions and meetings attended

Since 1992	Fifth and Second Committees of the General Assembly, forty-seventh to fifty-first sessions
Since 1995	Committee on Contributions, fifty-fifth and fifty-sixth sessions, special session
	High-level Open-ended Working Group on the Financial Situation of the United Nations
	High-level Open-ended Working Group on the Strengthening of the United Nations System
Since 1993	Committee for Programme and Coordination, thirty-third to thirty-sixth sessions
1991, 1993-1996	Economic and Social Council, second regular, substantive and organizational sessions
1993, 1995	Statistical Commission, twenty-seventh and twenty-eighth sessions, special session
Since 1993	Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme, annual session, regular meetings
Since 1993	Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund, annual session, regular sessions
1996	Commission on Population and Development, twelfth session
Since 1995	Commission on Sustainable Development, third and fourth sessions
1993	Commission on Science and Technology for Development, first session
1992	United Nations Conference on Environment and Development
1992	Economic Commission for Europe, twenty-seventh session
1991	International Seminar on Labour and Population Statistics (under the auspices of the International Labour Organization and the United Nations Statistical Office), Moscow
1987	Second European Regional Meeting on Population and Development, Hungary

Publications

"On the basis of equality: development of economic integration among developing countries"

"CMEA countries and the problems of industrial and technical cooperation among developing countries"

"In the mirror of demography (preparation of the population and housing census, 1989)"

Awards

Medal of Honour

JAN KINŠT

Born: 12 July 1965, Prague, Czechoslovakia

Nationality: Czech

Married with two daughters (age six and one)

Educational and professional background

Prague School of Economics; specialization in public finance

Participation in numerous international seminars, workshops, conferences and training courses organized by international institutions and Governments, among others: CIPFA (UK), 1991; Japanese Government and World Bank, 1992; IMF, 1993 and 1994; and OECD, 1996

Professional career

1987-1990	Junior Economist, Department for Financial Policy and Analyses, Ministry of Finance
1990-1993	Specialist responsible for the fiscal analyses preparation, State Budget Department, Ministry of Finance
January 1993	Deputy Director of the State Budget Department, responsible for the general budgetary policy, final State Budget compilation, international fiscal affairs and general budgetary management and, since August 1995 also in charge of the budgetary reserves management and budgetary classification, comprising also financing of the Czech Republic membership contributions to the international institutions

Activities with regard to international financial bodies and financial relations

Representative of the Czech Republic to the Finance Committee of the European Organization of Nuclear Research (CERN) at Geneva for three years (July 1993-June 1996)

International Monetary Fund (on contractual basis): member of the mission dealing with government finance statistics

Representative of the Czech Republic to the Annual Meeting of Senior Budget Officials of the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development

Representative of the Czech Republic (Ministry of Finance) for negotiations and cooperation with international bodies such as the International Monetary Fund, the World Bank, the European Investment Bank, the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development, the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development, the European Commission and with partners from foreign rating agencies (e.g. Standard and Poor's, Moody's, IBCA, J. P. Morgan)

DAVID A. LEIS

Born: 23 November 1949, Uppsala, Sweden

Education

Master's Degree in International Finance, University of Maryland College Park, Maryland, United States of America

Bachelor's Degree in Economics, Columbia University, New York, New York, United States of America

Work experience

1987-present	Programme Analyst, Office of United Nations System Administration, Department of State, Washington, D.C.
1981-1987	Management Analyst, Office of the Controller, Veterans Administration, Washington, D.C.
1976-1981	Management Analyst, Office of the Director, Veterans Administration, New York Region, New York, New York
1974-1976	Financial Reports Examiner, Securities and Exchange Commission, New York, New York
1969-1973	Infantry Officer, United States Army

Other activities

Audit Committee (1978-1986), Sevren Exploration Co., Houston, Texas, United States of America

Other language

Estonian

PRAKASH SHAH

Education

M.Com. (Master of Commerce), University of Bombay, 1959

LLB (Bachelor of Laws), University of Bombay, 1960

B.A. (Honors in Economics), University of Bombay, 1960

Work experience

Permanent Representative of India to the United Nations, New York, 1995-July 1997

Ambassador of India to Japan, 1992-1995

Permanent Representative of India to the United Nations Office at Geneva, 1991-1992

Ambassador of India to Venezuela and Consul General to the Netherlands Antilles, 1983-1985

High Commissioner of India to Malaysia and Brunei, 1980-1983

Adviser to the Prime Minister, 1977-1980

Also led the Indian delegations to a number of Non-Aligned, Commonwealth and United Nations meetings

Positions held

Member, Perez Guerrero Trust Fund, New York

Director, Indian Petrochemicals Limited

Director, Petofils Cooperative

Director, Kudremukh Iron Ore Limited

Member, Governing Council of United Nations Compensation Fund for Iraq, 1990-1991

Governor, Common Fund for Commodities, The Hague, 1991-1992

Academics

Visiting Lecturer, Universidad Santa Maria, Caracas, Venezuela

Guest Faculty, Foreign Service Institute, New India, India

Guest Speaker National Defence College, New Delhi, India

Alumni, Geneva Management Institute

Publications

Journal of University of Santa Maria, Caracas, "South-South cooperation: a view for non-oil developing countries"

School of International Studies, New Delhi, "India, EEC and Commonwealth"

Centropep, Caracas, "World economic crisis and response of Third World"

Fridtj of Nansen Institute, Oslo, "Antarctic Treaty system in world politics: ATS model and the future"

Geneva Peace Institute, Geneva, "Non-proliferation and security: case for non-nuclear countries"

Foreign Service Institute, Lima, Peru, "India and the United Nations in a new global order"

Instituto Matias Romero de Estudios Diplomaticos, Mexico, "India and the United Nations: 50 years and after"

Harvard International Review, "Unity in diversity: political and economic trends in India"

Journal of the Group of G-77 Quarterly, Interview on United Nations activities

South Asia's nuclear future; Conference on Nuclear Non-Proliferation and the Millennium: Prospects and Initiatives

Additional information

Fluent in English and very good working knowledge of Spanish and French

Enjoys playing tennis, golf and cricket

Spends free time listening to music, appreciating art, reading and sports broadcasting

NIKOLA IVANOV TCHOLAKOV

Born: 31 December 1944, Sofia, Bulgaria

Nationality: Bulgarian

Educational background

PhD in Economics, University of National and World Economy, Sofia, 1996

MA in Mathematics, Major in Probability and Statistics, St. Kliment Ohridaski University, Sofia, 1971

Specialization in macroeconomic modelling, International Labour Organization, Geneva, Switzerland, 1980

Certificate for Specialization in United Nations Courses on Development Planning at Moscow University, 1978

Professional and academic experience

Minister Plenipotentiary designate (Economic Affairs) in the Permanent Mission of Bulgaria to the United Nations, New York, August 1997

Professor of Statistics and Financial and Actuarial Mathematics at the University of National and World Economy, Sofia (Labour, Economics and Social Affairs Department), 1977-1997

Economic and Financial Adviser in the Bulgarian Parliament, 1995-1997

Economic and Financial Adviser to the Prime Minister of Bulgaria, 1992

Research Fellow at the Bulgarian National Institute of Statistics, 1971-1977

Mathematician and Computer Programmer, Central Statistical Office, 1971-1977

Member of the Union of Bulgarian Mathematicians, the Union of Bulgarian Statisticians, the Union of Bulgarian Economists

Participation in international and United Nations-related activities

Programme Coordinator of the Tempus Project with the University of Architecture (Sofia), the University of Architecture (Venice, Italy) and the University of East London (United Kingdom): "Graphic information systems for town planning with special emphasis on population allocation together with other resources", 1996-1998

Project Manager: "Improvement of vital statistics in Bulgaria", 1996-1997

United Nations consultant on the development of a database on the political status of women, New York, United States of America, 1988

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United Nations consultant on demographic topics, including population ageing and its social and demographic consequences, Geneva, Switzerland, 1985

Executive Secretary of the UNFPA-sponsored European Population Conference, Sofia, 1983

Member of the Bulgarian delegation, fortieth session of the International Statistical Institute, Warsaw, 1975

Member of the Bulgarian delegation, World Population Conference, Bucharest, 1974

Major contributor to several UNFPA projects, including those on developing an integrated system of social and demographic statistics in Bulgaria, 1982-1987, and population ageing and its social and demographic consequences, 1984-1988

Over 40 scientific publications, many of which appeared in foreign journals

Participation in more than 10 international academic seminars, conferences and congresses on demography, statistics, computer science, financial and managerial services

Foreign languages

Fluent in English and Russian, working knowledge of German

KAZUO WATANABE

Present position	Counsellor at the Permanent Mission of Japan to the United Nations, in charge of the Fifth Committee, since 1997
Date of birth	23 September 1951
Academic background	Graduated from the Department of International Relations, Faculty of Liberal Arts, University of Tokyo, 1975
	Studied at the London School of Economics, 1973-1974
	Studied at University of Salamanca and La Escuela Diplomática of Spanish Government, 1977-1979

Previous professional career

1995-1997	Director, Research and Programming Division, Economic Cooperation Bureau, Ministry of Foreign Affairs
	Visiting Professor, Graduate School of Policy Science, Saitama University, Tokyo
1993-1995	Director, Second Division, Department I, Overseas Economic Cooperation Fund, Tokyo, in charge of extending Yen loans to Indonesia and Malaysia
1991-1993	Deputy Director, Overseas Establishment Division, Minister's Secretariat, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Tokyo
1988-1991	Director, Japan Information Service, and First Secretary, Embassy of Japan, Bangkok
1986-1988	First Secretary, Embassy of Japan, Rome
1984-1986	Assistant Director and subsequently Deputy Director, Policy Planning Division, Minister's Secretariat, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Tokyo
1979-1984	Officer and Assistant Director, First International Economic Relations Division, Economic Affairs Bureau, and Specialized Agencies Division, United Nations Affairs Bureau, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Tokyo

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